

## RAY CLOUGH'S CONFESSION THAT HE SHOT HIS FATHERS GIVEN TO COURT BY DETECTIVE AT TRIAL

"Mother thrust a gun in my hand and told me to fire. I pulled the trigger once and then wanted to stop, but mamma cried 'Shoot—shoot—shoot,' and I fired four more shots in father's body."

These were the words in which Detective Everett Noble this morning described Ray Clough's story of the killing of his father while he lay sleeping on the floor of his home on the morning of August 21. Detective Noble was the fifth witness called in the trial which is being held before a jury in the district court before Judge A. W. Agee.

"I was sleeping in a vacant house near home," the boy is reported to have said, "because I did not dare to go home when father was there. Mother rushed in where I was sleeping and told me to fire at father, who was asleep on the floor. She held my arm and pointed the pistol down toward my father's body. Mother screamed 'Shoot' and I pulled the trigger. The noise scared me and I tried to back out of the room, but mother held my arm and kept screaming 'Shoot—shoot—shoot.'"

"My little brothers then ran into the room from their beds. I was surprised for I thought they were dead," the 14-year-old is reported to have told Detective Noble.

The story of the killing was told to the detective early in the morning following the shooting, according to the testimony when the boy was questioned while in an automobile in which Detective Noble took the lad away from the home in order that he might get Ray away from his mother and obtain the real facts of the killing. The boy until this time, Detective Noble said, had insisted that he knew nothing of the shooting.

After the boy had told of the shooting the witness said that on the night before his mother had told him he had better not sleep at home because his father might hurt him. He was given a blanket by Mrs. Clough and went to the vacant house nearby where he made his bed, the lad asserted.

Five witnesses were examined this morning and brought out facts relative to the shooting and the actions of Mrs. Clough prior to the night of August 21, and her later commitment to the state mental hospital. The witnesses declared that for ten days prior to the alleged murder she had acted in an irrational manner. She talked wildly and sang a chant at various times, they declared.

**DOUBTS OUTLINED IN PROSECUTION.** District Attorney Stuart P. Doubt opened the case this morning with a statement to the jury in which he briefly described the history of the affair. He stated that the prosecution will attempt to show that friction had been caused between Ray and his father, that Mrs. Clough was shooting by reason of the boy's actions, and that his father would not intervene when an effort was made to send the boy to the reform school.

George Halverson, counsel for the boy, announced that he would reserve his statement until after the testimony had been given in the case. Throughout the court session this morning Ray remained almost motionless in his seat and betrayed absolutely no sign of emotion. His expression did not change even when the details of the killing as told by him to the detective, were vividly brought out. His eyes remained on the witness as he practically all times and he appeared intensely interested, but not at all nervous.

The courtroom was crowded almost to capacity this morning, with many men present. Following the adjournment at noon, a score of the women rushed forward and shook hands with the boy, and offered words of encouragement. The boy appeared to appreciate the action of the women, but did not converse with them to any extent, simply answering questions with "yes" and "no."

**PHYSICIAN TESTIFIES.** Dr. R. W. Emmett, Ogden physician was the first witness called and testified that he had the body of Ray Clough at the Larkin undertaking parlors, some time after the man's death. Five bullet holes were found, he declared, two of which pierced the entire body, one bullet going through into the floor, and one other having been stopped in the bed clothing.

Any one of the bullets which entered the body, he said, would have caused death. The cause of the death, he said, was from hemorrhage as a result of the bullets entering the abdomen.

When asked if he believed Mrs. Clough was insane, he answered "yes."

**FRIEND IS CALLED.** W. T. Chapman, associated with Mr. Clough in the railroad shops where they were employed, testified that he was with Mr. Clough until midnight on the night preceding the shooting. He declared there was nothing unusual about the man's actions when he parted with him on the street before going to his home.

Edward W. Erickson, who resided in a house immediately in the rear of the Clough home, was the next witness called. About 2 o'clock Sunday morning on August 21, he said he was awakened by some person who pounded upon the door and windows. His wife, he said, also heard the noise and awakened. When they went to the door, Mr. Erickson declared, the person had disappeared.

A few minutes later, according to Mr. Erickson, five shots were heard from the direction of the Clough residence. Almost immediately following Mrs. Clough came running from her house, he stated. She had a baby in her arms and was crying and talking unintelligibly. Both Mr. and Mrs. Erickson said they did not go into the Clough home following the shooting.

Mrs. Mabel Erickson, wife of Mr. Erickson corroborated the story of her husband upon the stand.

**AWAKENED BY SHOTS.** The fourth witness called was Mrs. David Howell who lives next door to the Clough home. She stated that at about 2 o'clock on the morning of the shooting she was also awakened by someone pounding upon the door and later heard Mrs. Clough crying "murder." She said she heard the woman pounding at the Erickson door but did not see Ray Clough. Later, Mrs. Howell said she was out on the lawn when Mrs. Clough approached, and said "I don't think it was Mr. Clough who was shot. Mr. Clough is not home yet." Mrs. Clough is then said to have asked Mrs. Howell to go to her home with her and aid her in preparing a bed for her husband. Mrs. Howell declared she did not go.

Upon questioning, Mrs. Howell said that she had observed the actions of Mrs. Clough for several days prior to the shooting and the woman appeared to be excitable and cross.

Detective Noble testified that he had been at the Clough home on Friday evening preceding the shooting, when he called there by Mrs. Clough. The woman is alleged to have said that her husband had threatened to kill Ray and one of the other boys and she feared the advice of the doctor. Mrs. Noble declared he concluded at that time that Mrs. Clough was demented, or she spoke in a rambling way and frequently wandered from her subject.

**WITH BLACK BEARD.** The witness said he was next called to the Clough home, almost immediately following the shooting. At that time, he said, Mrs. Clough told several stories about men appearing in the house and killing her husband. She described one man with a heavy black beard.

Detective Noble declared he searched about the exterior of the house and in vacant lots adjoining. He finally found a revolver in some weeds a short distance from the Clough home, he said. A revolver was introduced in court and the witness declared it as the one he had found. He remained in the house throughout the night, he testified, and had

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## PIONEER DENTIST BENCH IN CITY OF OGDEN DIES COURT CROWDED

Dr. Percy A. Cook Succumbs To Attack of Apoplexy Old Days Are Recalled When Judge Imposes Double-Barrel Sentences



DR. PERCY A. COOK.

Dr. Percy A. Cook, one of the first to practice dentistry in Ogden, died yesterday shortly before noon, following an apoplectic stroke.

Dr. Cook was born in London, in 1844 and practiced there before coming to Ogden in 1885. He first opened offices in the old Z. C. M. L. building, where Wright's store now stands, later locating in the Eccles building.

In 1902 he established the Ogden Dental Laboratory, to which he has since devoted his time.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Clara N. Cook, and the following sons and daughters: Mrs. E. W. Townsend and Percy N. Cook, of Ogden; Mrs. Joseph A. Christman, of Green River, Wyo.

Several talks with Ray. The boy stoutly maintained that he knew nothing about the shooting, he said.

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The trial was resumed at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The speed with which the witnesses are being disposed of has indicated that the trial will end late tomorrow afternoon.

New York City recently had the first merchant-marine exposition ever held in the United States.

With ten cases in the city police court this morning, the majority being charges of drunkenness, the old days of the bustling saloon were recalled. The prisoners' bench was fully occupied by defendants who appeared to be suffering from the effects of holiday indulgence.

W. Wright, a youth 18 years of age, giving his address as 2541 Van Buren avenue, but who said he is now living in Salt Lake, before his case was heard by the court informed Judge Roberts that it would be hard for him to be ordered to pay the usual fine as he did not have the money, and if he was sent to prison he would not be able to attend school. The court replied to the effect that he should have thought of that before he indulged in drinking.

When asked his age, Wright said he was only 17, later admitting to be older. He knew that he was under 18 years his case would be heard in the juvenile court, he said. Judge Roberts replied that the age of 18 would stand, he thought it was a trick among boys arrested for being drunk to endeavor to escape punishment from the city court. The court imposed the usual sentence of \$50 or fifty days in jail.

**DOUBLE JOLT.** P. Bastrom, an employee of the Pacific Fruit Express company was called to answer to two charges, drunkenness and carrying a concealed weapon. He told the court he had the gun on him as a means of protection from the hood of the sludger at twenty-fourth street. He also said he came into possession of the gun by relieving the special officer employed by the company who was off duty owing to sickness.

Besides Detective Walter L. Moore testified that the defendant was arrested in rear of his home where he was found to be in possession of a bottle of liquor, the court imposed a sentence of \$50 or 50 days for being drunk and for that number of days for carrying the gun.

Arthur Miller, charged with illegal possession of liquor, was sentenced to pay \$150 or serve 150 days. Sergeant A. M. Edwards stated that the defendant occupied a room in Electric alley where he was found in possession of several bottles of liquor and circumstances led to the strong suspicion, he said, that Miller had sold a quantity, a number of empty bottles being found in the room, also some small change silver was found.

**PETERS HIT HARD.** Russell Peters, 41, had to answer to two charges, one for being drunk and the other illegal possession of liquor. He drew a sentence of \$50 or 50 days on the first charge and \$50 or 60 days for the second, together with a warning that his next offense would lead him to the state prison.

J. E. Jones, 55, a salesman of Arimo, Idaho, forfeited \$50 bail on a charge of being drunk.

John Simpson, 18, C. B. Eaton 22, Denver, Col., and J. F. Walker, each forfeited \$50 bail on charges of being drunk.

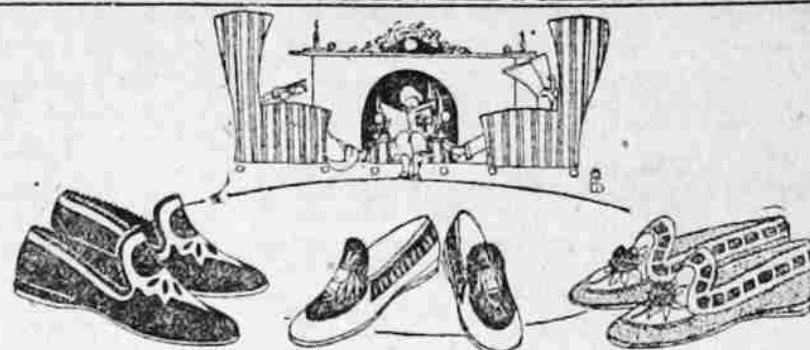
Henry Bellman, 18, forfeited \$10 on a charge of disturbing the peace.

**Evangelists Conduct Revival This Week**

Mr. and Mrs. John French and their 11-year-old son, Otis, and Mr. Kench, Pentecostal evangelists, are conducting revival meetings at the Ensign Gospel mission this week. Continuing his announcement, Charles V. Branting, head of the mission, says: "These evangelists may continue longer, the Lord willing. They believe in and preach a full salvation, that God saves both body and soul, quickens both by his own spirit and in it is grace and power for the whole man. The boy Otis will speak Saturday evening at 8 o'clock on 'The Life of Christ.'"

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## TOURISTS LEARN FACTS ON OGDEN

J. A. Smith Gives Account of His Activities at the Union Station

Thousands of travelers who stop in Ogden for a few minutes between trains have been told of the industrial and commercial development of Ogden and its desirability as a residence city by J. A. Smith, who represents the Ogden Chamber of Commerce at the union passenger station.

Mr. Smith has made a report of his work to the chamber.

He reported that from July to November there were from 800 to 1400 passengers daily at the union station and on some days there were as high as 2000. The total for four months was 150,000 persons.

Since November 1 the average daily number of passengers at the station has been 500.

"I have talked with thousands of these travelers," Mr. Smith said, "and nearly all of these travelers commended Ogden on the fact that it has an organization which keeps an information man at the station. These travelers, furthermore, declared there were few stations in the country where they received the courteous and efficient treatment which is accorded them by employees at the Ogden passenger station."

The questions asked me by these

## Building Permits Take Sudden Jump

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